

Fresno, CA - Today, Congressman Jim Costa (CA-20) announced a Department of Housing and Urban Development grant to California's 20th Congressional District.

"The Indian Housing Block Grant will provide considerable funds to help provide affordable housing and services to the Santa Rosa Rancheria," Congressman Costa said.

The funds are awarded under the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act (NAHASDA) of 1996, and the total Santa Rosa Rancheria will receive is \$398,387. Santa Rosa Rancheria can use the Indian Housing funds to provide a variety of affordable housing alternatives within their community. In terms of providing housing these funds potentially could be used to construct new housing or rehabilitate rental and owner-occupied housing.

The grant can also be used to provide housing services, such as management for low-income housing, crime prevention and other safety measures.

"Through the use of these funds the Santa Rosa Rancheria will establish and maintain a safe environment in which the community can prosper," concluded Congressman Costa.